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Organizations/Organizaciones

American Association of University Women

http://www.aauw.org/

- promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change
- more than 100,000 members, 1,300 branches, and 550 college/university institution partners nationwide, advocates education and equity
- members examine and take positions on the fundamental issues of the day: educational, social, economic, and political
- commitment is reflected in its public policy efforts, programs, Leadership and Training Institute, and diversity initiatives
- work extends globally through its international connections and membership in the International Federation of University Women
- its Educational Foundation is the world's largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women

American Women: a Gateway to Library of Congress Resources

http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/awhhtml/

a first stop for Library of Congress researchers working in the field of American women's history and culture in the United Status

The Susan B. Anthony Institute for Gender and Women's Studies (at the University of Rochester)

http://www.rochester.edu/college/wst/

- addresses curricular and scholarly issues important for understanding the role of women in contemporary society
- the Anthony Center for Women's Leadership continues the fight for women's full social, political and economic equality

The California National Organization for Women

http://www.canow.org/

- the largest state organization of feminists (both women and men) in the United Status; made up of 40 chapters throughout the state, representing 80,000 members and donors
- takes action to bring women into full participation in the mainstream of American society, exercising all privileges and responsibilities thereof in truly equal partnership with men, including freedom from discrimination because of race, ethnic origin, age, marital status, sexual preference/orientation, or parenthood

Center for American Women and Politics (Program for Women Public Officials at Rutgers University)

http://www.cawp.rutgers.edu/

- Ready to Run encourages women in New Jersey to seek public office
- Good Housekeeping Award for Women in Government elected or appointed officials, career civil servants, or members of the military, whose work exemplifies how government improves people's lives
- Good Housekeeping/Wyeth Award for Women's Health highlights a woman in government whose program or achievement advances the status of women's health
- Elección Latina to increase the number of Latinas elected to public office at all levels

Colorado Women's Agenda

http://www.womensagenda.org/

 a statewide network that champions economic security, social justice and political power for all Colorado women through public education, political advocacy, communications and grassroots activism

Emily's List

http://www.emilyslist.org/

- the nation's largest grassroots political network, dedicated to electing pro-choice Democratic women to federal, state, and local office
- more than 100,000 members committed to recruiting and funding viable women candidates; helping them build and run effective campaign organizations; and mobilizing women voters to help elect progressive candidates across the nation
- has helped elect 60 Democratic members of Congress, 11 senators, and eight governors

Feminist.com

http://www.feminist.com/

- activist community and consciousness-raising portal of resources and information that supports women's equality, justice, wellness and safety
- committed to awareness, education, activism, empowerment
- includes Advancing Women's Leadership, a series

Hispanic Women's Corporation

http://www.hispanicwomen.org/

- founded in 1981 as a result of a series of meetings among concerned Latina women from diverse backgrounds in corporations, government, and educational institutions
- a proactive leader in the development of Hispanic women
- empowers Latina women through its commitment to the culture by promoting education, community involvement, professional advancement and leadership development for the improvement of our cultural quality of life

Independent Women's Forum

http://www.iwf.org/

- established to combat the women-as-victim, pro-big-government ideology of radical feminism
- seeks to restore, strengthen, and extend that which promotes women's well-being by advancing the principles of self-reliance, political freedom, economic liberty, and personal responsibility
- promotes voluntary, cooperative approaches to life's challenges

Institute for Women's Policy Research

http://www.iwpr.org/

- a public policy research organization dedicated to informing and stimulating the debate on public policy issues of critical importance to women and their families
- focuses on issues of poverty and welfare, employment and earnings, work and family issues, health and safety, and women's civic and political participation
- works with policymakers, scholars, and public interest groups around the country to design, execute, and disseminate research that illuminates economics and social policy issues affecting women and families

- promotes a network of individuals and organizations that conduct and use womenoriented policy research

League of Women Voters

http://lwv.org

- promotes social and economic justice, to secure equal rights for all, to achieve universal health care coverage at reasonable cost, to promote the well being of children, and to combat discrimination, poverty and violence
- promotes peace in an interdependent world by cooperating with other nations, strengthening international organizations and fostering long-term relationships because cooperation with other nations is essential in the search for solutions to world problems; believes that natural resources should be conserved and protected to assure their future availability

National Council of La Raza

http://www.nclr.org/

the largest national constituency-based Hispanic organization and the leading voice in Washington, DC for the Hispanic community

National Women's History Project

http://www.nwhp.org/

 educational nonprofit organization to recognize and celebrate the diverse and historic accomplishments of women by providing information and educational materials and programs

National Women's Political Caucus

http://www.nwpc.org/

- multicultural, intergenerational and multi-issue grassroots organization dedicated to increasing women's participation in the political process and creating a true women's political power base to achieve equality for all women
- recruits, trains and supports pro-choice women candidates for elected and appointed offices at all levels of government regardless of party affiliation
- offers campaign training for candidates and campaign managers, as well as technical assistance and advice as well as support to candidates running for all levels of office

Wellesley Centers for Women

http://www.wcwonline.org

- dedicated to looking at the world through the eyes of women, because a world that is better for women is better for everyone
- believes that only by thoroughly investigating the what, why, and how of a problem can you begin to create a lasting solution
- includes the Center for Research on Women and the Stone Center for Developmental Services and Studies

The White House Project

http://www.thewhitehouseproject.org/

 works to create a climate in which it is normal for women to be governors, CEOs and president

Women and Political Participation

http://www.whrnet.org/docs/issue-women-politics.html

- a project of the Association for Women's Rights in Development

Women & Politics Institute (at American University)

http://www.american.edu/oconnor/wandp/

the is dedicated to advancing the study and discussion of women and politics, promoting opportunities for women in politics, and training young women to become political leaders

Women's Rights National Historical Park

http://www.nps.gov/wori/

- commemorates women's struggle for equal rights, and the first Women's Rights Convention, held on July 19 and 20, 1848

Women's Studies in the U.S.

http://www.ibiblio.org/cheryb/women/otherprogs.html

- academic programs, departments, and research institutes

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